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In re Application of

Ivan Maurice Alfons Jan Herbots, et al.

Application No. 09/462,613

Filed: January 10, 2000

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ON PETITION

This is a decision on the petition under 37 CFR 1.137(b), filed by facsimile transmission on March 19, 2003, to revive the above-identified application.

The petition is **GRANTED**.

The above-identified application became abandoned for failure to reply within the meaning of 37 CFR 1.113 in a timely manner to the final Office action mailed April 9, 2002, which set a shortened statutory period for reply of three (3) months. A three (3) month extension of time under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a) was obtained. Accordingly, the application became abandoned on October 10, 2002.

Telephone inquiries concerning this decision should be directed to Cheryl Gibson-Baylor at (703)308-5111, or in her absence, Sherry D. Brinkley at (703)305-9220.

The application file is being forwarded to Technology Center 1700, Art Unit 1751 for processing the Request for Continued Examination under 37 CFR 1.114, filed on March 19, 2003.

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